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20 October 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Intelligence  
SUBJECT : Background Data on IM 70-63

1. IM 70-63 had its origins in this building in November/December 1969. At that time, [ ] then Chief, VNO, called Sam Adams to his office to read a piece that [ ] had written on the VCI. As a result of their discussion, [ ] asked Adams if he would draft a new piece for him. This was done and passed informally to [ ] At that time, [ ] Chief, I/SV, thought that the piece could be made into a useful IM and instructed Adams to do further work.

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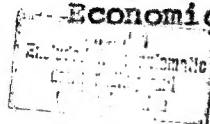
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2. This project was nearing completion in mid-April of this year. At about the same time, I was informed orally by John Court that he had been committed by Mr. Kissinger to do a memorandum on subversion in South Vietnam. He asked me for the names of knowledgeable people in this Agency. I gave him the names of [ ] and Sam Adams. Court visited these offices and learned naturally about the study we had in process. He made repeated requests that he be given a copy of the draft. I refused to release the draft until it had office approval. Near the end of April, I was called by Larry Lynn who stated the importance of this memorandum being made available to the NSC Staff. I consequently had the memorandum sent around the building for coordination on 28 April (through DDI elements, DDP and SAVA). The coordination was completed by 4 May on which date the report went to the editors for publication. Elite Dissemination was made on 14 May and Standard Dissemination was made on 15 May.

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